

Remarks

The Office Action dated February 10, 2005 has been received and duly noted. The claims have been amended to further distinguish from the art, and have taken into consideration the Examiner's comments in the last Office Action. Each of independent Claims 1, 7, 12 and 19 have been amended to recite that the pseudo language characters are graphically recognizable as both a first language having in first language characters and a second language having second language characters different from the first language characters. This feature of the invention is important in order to be able to test applications with different language characters. The characters in U.S. Patent 6,105,729 are not recognizable in two different languages.

The disclosure of U.S. Patent 6,185,729 teaches identification of errors when invoking operations by creating a visual distinction between a display of regular ASCII characters and a display of multibyte characters. The specification indicates that this visual distinction could occur in font, color, or character spacing. The disclosure of the '729 patent does not provide for the generation of pseudo language characters recognizable in both a first language having first language characters and a second language having second language characters different from the first language characters. More particularly, a distinction in font, color, or character spacing does not result in a pseudo language which is recognizable as both a first language having first language characters, such as English, and a second language having second language characters, such as Japanese.

With respect to dependent Claims 4, 10, 18 and 25, the lookup table referenced in Figure 8 of U.S. Patent 5,835,768 provides locale data for substitution into an application program, but the disclosure does not suggest that a table comprising a plurality of pseudo language characters each represented by a plurality of bytes, such that it is graphically recognizable as both the first language with the first language characters and a second language with second language characters different from the first language characters.

Claim 4 recites that the lookup table allows first language characters to reference pseudo language characters. This table is not disclosed in the '768 patent.

Support for the claim amendments are disclosed on page 2 commencing at line 4, page 4 commencing at line 21, page 6 commencing at line 7 and page 9 commencing at line 22 of the specification.

The undersigned appreciates that the independent claims are being amended in a manner whereby the Examiner may contend that new issues are raised with respect to patentability. The amended claims are, however, similar to the previously presented claims, and Applicant requests that the Examiner consider the patentability of these claims.

In view of the above, early allowance of the application is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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